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Attorney's Docket No. 003300-737

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: USE OF CERTAIN	)	VIA FACSIMILE: (703) 746-5177
METALLOPROTEINASE INHIBITORS	)	
FOR TREATING NERVE DISORDERS	)	
MEDIATED BY NUCLEUS PULPOSUS	)	
(AS AMENDED)	)	

**AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and the ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.
- ☒ Also enclosed: Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal Letter; Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449 with 2 references discussed in the Amendment.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$375.00 (2801) ☐ \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_, on \_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

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- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.
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AMENDED CLAIMS					
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Total Claims	27	MINUS 48 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	0.00
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$84.00 (1201) =	0.00
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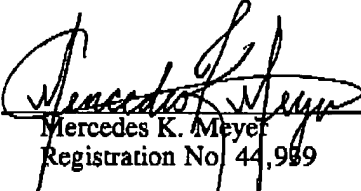
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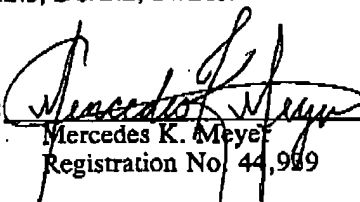
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